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and Washing Machine Using Such Method
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above identified patent application titled Method for Controlling the Program of a Washing Machine and Washing Machine using such method as follows:

Amendments to the Claims

Prior to first action by the Examiner, please amend the claims as shown below in the complete listing of claims.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling the program of a washing machine[[,]]
comprising ~~the recording of the amount of water supplied to the tub of the washing~~
~~machine, characterised in that it comprises~~ the following steps:
recording an amount of water supplied to a wash tub of the washing machine;
[[-]] ~~assessing the~~ determining an amount of free water present in the tub (T);